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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Over seven years ago, I moved into an area that gave me only ONE option for my telecom needs -- a company whose services I had previously used and had been EXTREMELY dissatisfied. And I was not given an option of having a landline -- a service CRUCIAL to my home- based business. SONIC.NET has been a godsend, and I and my colleagues whole-heartedly support broadband competition now and in the future -- it's the TRUE American way ...!

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